

WASTE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Minutes of January 22, 2004

**Bedford Town Hall / Bedford Community Television
10 Meetinghouse Road
Bedford, NH 03110**

MEMBERS PRESENT: G. Bradley Richards, Chairman; John Lavalley, Vice Chairman; Ronald Allard; Michael Blayney; Stephen Crean; Arthur Cunningham; Michael Garrity; Anthony Illacqua; Nancy Kinner; Elaine Lauterborn; John Osgood; Carl Quiram; and Duncan Watson. A quorum was present.

NHDES: Anthony P. Giunta, P.G., Director, Waste Management Division
Susan Weiss-Alexant, Commissioner's Office, Legal Unit

GUESTS: Joseph Ayotte, United States Geological Survey
Maureen Smith, Attorney General's Office

(1) Introduction

- (A) Chairman Richards brought the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. verifying that a quorum was present.

Chairman Richards welcomed Mr. Anthony Illacqua to the Council who has recently been appointed by the Executive Council. He will represent a community that recycles or recovers solid waste on the Council.

(2) Pending Business

- (A) Acceptance of Minutes for Meeting of November 20, 2003: A motion was made to accept the Minutes of the November 20, 2003 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Allard, seconded by Ms. Lauterborn. All in favor.
- (B) Schedule of Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2004, and will be held at the NHDES offices.

(3) Guest Speaker: Anthony P. Giunta, Director, Waste Management Division

Mr. Giunta, recently appointed Director of the Waste Management Division, introduced himself to the Council. Chairman Richards discussed the Council's mission and introduced the members of the Council and their position on the Council to Mr. Giunta. A question and answer session followed with regard to Mr. Giunta's reorganization efforts.

10:34 a.m. – Ms. Kinner arrived.

(4) Guest Speaker: Joseph Ayotte, United States Geological Survey

MtBE in Public and Private Water Supplies of Rockingham County

Mr. Ayotte gave a Powerpoint® presentation regarding MtBE in public and private water supplies in the Rockingham County area. The following were included in his presentation:

- Overview of the Study
- Study Design
- Status and Schedule (data collection started last summer)
- Private Bedrock Wells
- Location of Private and Public Wells sampled for MtBE
- Distribution of MtBE in Water from Private and Public Water Sources
- MtBE Detection by System Class
- Comparison to Other Studies
- MtBE and System Category (Public)
- MtBE Occurrence by System Design
- MtBE by Type of Establishment (residences, commercial, schools/recreation and large community water systems)
- Explanatory Data for Planned Analysis of MtBE Occurrence
- Location of Mapped UST Sites

(5) Guest Speaker: Maureen Smith, Attorney General's Office

NH Lawsuit on MtBE Contamination

Attorney Smith discussed the lawsuit filed in state court against major oil companies that added the chemical “methyl tertiary butyl ether” (MTBE) to gasoline, causing widespread contamination of New Hampshire’s waters. Attorney Smith informed the Council that a copy of the state’s lawsuit can be found on the New Hampshire Department of Justice website.

11:59 a.m. – Mr. Watson and Mr. Lavalley retired.

11:59 a.m. – Council adjourned for lunch.

1:19 p.m. – Meeting reconvened.

(6) Guest Speaker: Susan Weiss Alexant, Legal Unit, Commissioner's Office

Council's Rules – Env-WMC 200

Ms. Alexant provided a final copy of the Council’s rules that was submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (JLCAR). A motion was made to readopt the rules with amendments effective today, January 22, 2004. Motion made by Mr. Allard, seconded by Ms. Kinner. All in favor.

Ms. Alexant informed the Council of her departure from the Department. Chairman Richards along with the members of the Council thanked Ms. Alexant for all her help with the Council's rules.

(7) Old Business

Chairman Richards thanked Mr. Crean for having the Council meet at the Bedford Community Television today.

At 1:40 p.m., Mr. Osgood moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Allard seconded. The Council unanimously agreed to adjourn.

*Respectfully submitted by Almorinda M. Azeredo, Waste Management Council Clerk.
A copy of the audio taped recording of this meeting is available upon request. Please contact Ms. Azeredo at 603-271-2905 for more information.*